

# MOTHERING *the* ORPHANS *of the* NEAR EAST

Food, Shelter  
*and* Clothing  
*for the*  
Body



Training *for*  
Eye, Hand  
*and* Heart!

## *What Every Mother Knows*

CHILDREN need more than food, clothes and shelter. There must be school work, not simply to develop the mind but also to train both eye and hand. There must be play to develop the social instinct and there must be religious instruction that shall awaken the soul, establish moral standards, and develop the spiritual side of life.

ALL THESE THINGS NEAR EAST RELIEF SEEKS TO DO.



**Y**ESTERDAY'S breakfast will do no good tomorrow. Food is a daily recurring need. Three times a day, three hundred and sixty-five days in the year, Near East Relief must feed the children in its care—over fifty million meals a year! Careful buying keeps the cost to five cents a meal.



**T**HE free use of many buildings helps keep housing expenses to the present low per capita cost. 17,000 are housed free in the former Czar's famous barracks at Alexandropol. Elsewhere, sheds, tents, warehouses, abandoned mills and even old palaces shelter the orphans.



**T**HE children must have clothes, shoes and stockings. And somebody must wash and mend the clothes, darn those stockings and keep the shoes in good condition. Near East Relief is doing all these things for over 50,000 children.



**P**LAY is the birthright of every child. These "kiddie cars," made by older orphans and used by several shifts of children, indicate the effort to provide a happy, playful childhood for the younger children. Over 2,000 orphans are less than four years old.



**F**OR all the children Near East Relief has a well-balanced program of study, work and play, aiming to develop every side of the child's life. It can do this only through the continued support of its friends.



**T**HE weaklings died off. The strongest survived. The children now in the orphanages represent the very best of the life of the Near East. They come from just the strata from which leadership can best be developed.





**T**HERE are no idle orphans. All have some useful work to do. This means economy now and self-support later on. Rug-making, knitting, shoe-making and dress-making; these are but four out of twenty different things the orphans are taught to do.



**E**VERY Near East Relief orphan is receiving a common school education. There will be no illiterates among them. This fact alone is significant of the leadership they are sure to exercise in all the countries of the Near East.



**T**HERE are enough Near East Relief orphans to make a real impression on the life of the Near East. They will settle in groups—each group the nucleus of higher ideals and more progressive methods.



**T**HERE are still many orphans whom no one is helping, 5,000 in Syria alone. If Near East Relief were to withdraw, the orphans now receiving care would be added to the ranks of these refugees. Most of them would die—or worse.



**T**HE outdoor clinic: an orphanage "mother" happy in her ability to provide for the needs of her "family"—binding up their cuts and bruises—doing whatever is necessary for their truest welfare. Near East Relief makes it possible for her to do this.



**M**OTHERS unable to help their children! Who can express their heartache? Without the continued support of the American people, Near East Relief would be equally helpless in its great task of mothering the orphans of the Near East.

## *What Every Father Knows*

A FAMILY cannot subsist on love alone. Life must be sustained. Bills must be paid. Near East Relief cannot stop until the orphans are able to support themselves.

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Just one of the many "little families" supported by  
**NEAR EAST RELIEF**